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Applicant: Masaki WATANABE

Title: PRINT DATA CONTROL
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Appl. No.: 09/174,551

Appl. Filing Date: 10/19/1998

Examiner: K. Poon

Art Unit: 2624

**REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)
TRANSMITTAL****RECEIVED**Commissioner for Patents
Box RCE
Washington, D.C. 20231

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Technology Center 2600

Sir:

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application. This RCE and the enclosed items listed below are being filed prior to the earliest of: (1) payment of the issue fee (unless a petition under 37 C.F.R. § 1.313 is granted); (2) abandonment of the application; or (3) the filing of a notice of appeal to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit under 35 U.S.C. §141, or the commencement of a civil action under 35 U.S.C. §145 or §146 (unless the appeal or civil action is terminated).

1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. §1.114: (check items that apply)**a. Previously submitted:**

Please enter and consider the amendment/reply previously filed on January 24, 2003.

Please consider the Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s) previously filed on ____ but not considered.

Please consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on ____.

Other ____.

b. Enclosed are:

Amendment/Reply.

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- Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s).
- Information Disclosure Statement.
- Form PTO-1449 with copies of ___ listed reference(s).
- Other .

Miscellaneous:

- Suspension of action of the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of ___ months.

The filing fee is calculated below:

Claims as Amended	Previously Paid For	Extra Claims Present	Rate	Fee Totals
RCE Fee 1.17(e)			\$750.00	\$750.00
Total Claims: <u>16</u>	<u>20</u>	<u>0</u>	x \$18.00 =	<u>\$0.00</u>
Independents: <u>6</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>0</u>	x \$84.00 =	<u>\$0.00</u>
First presentation of any Multiple Dependent Claims:			+ \$280.00 =	<u>\$0.00</u>
			CLAIMS FEE TOTAL: =	<u>\$750.00</u>

[X] Applicant hereby petitions for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) for the total number of months checked below:

<input type="checkbox"/>	Extension for response filed within the first month:	\$110.00	\$0.00
<input type="checkbox"/>	Extension for response filed within the second month:	\$410.00	\$410.00
<input type="checkbox"/>	Extension for response filed within the third month:	\$930.00	\$0.00
<input type="checkbox"/>	Extension for response filed within the fourth month:	\$1,450.00	\$0.00
<input type="checkbox"/>	Extension for response filed within the fifth month:	\$1,970.00	\$0.00
		EXTENSION FEE TOTAL:	\$0.00
		CLAIMS AND EXTENSION FEE TOTAL:	\$1160.00
<input type="checkbox"/>	Small Entity Fees Apply (subtract ½ of above):		\$0.00
<input type="checkbox"/>	Suspension of action requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c)		\$0.00
		TOTAL FEE:	\$1160.00

[X] A check in the amount of \$1160.00 to cover the filing fee is enclosed.

[X] The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required regarding this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 19-0741. Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, as by a check being in the wrong amount, unsigned, post-dated, otherwise improper or informal or even entirely missing, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 19-0741.

Please direct all correspondence to the undersigned attorney or agent at the address indicated below.

Respectfully submitted,

By David A. Blumenthal
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Date March 24, 2003

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